

Chas. Dunmier,	"	1 00
Frank Cline,	"	50
Ada Dunmier,	"	1 00
Mary Wolfe,	"	80
Harry Miller,	"	30
Brethren church, Milford, Ind.,		16 00
Brick card,	"	4 00
Mrs. Ella Lichty, Lanark, Ill.,		5 00
Brethren church, Maple Grove, Kan.,		3 00
G. A. Buckenroth, Gretna, O.,		1 00
E. F. Miller,	"	1 05
P. J. Detrick,	"	1 00
Carrie Bayer,	"	10
Gertrude Kaylor,	"	1 00
C. W. Jackson,	"	50
Samuel Snapp,	"	2 00
C. W. Harvey,	"	1 00
A. J. Detrick,	"	1 00
Wm. Kaylor,	"	1 00
Elizabeth Miller,	"	2 00
Mary Whitmore,	"	1 00
John Munsch,	"	1 00
Roy Kaylor,	"	10
Mary O'Brien,	"	25
Ada Whitmore,	"	1 00
A. J. Hixson, Parsons, Kan.,		5 00
Asa Bissel, Rockwell City, Kan.,		1 00
Etta Lichty,	"	1 00
Aaron Witter, Fairview, Ind.,		1 00
H. L. Swonger, Tiosa, Ind.,		1 00
Bethel Sunday-school, Glenford, Ind.,		3 35
Janiza Guy, Syracuse, Ind.,		5 00
Enon church, Waterloo, Ia.,		74 50
Samuel Murray, Jefferson, Pa.,		2 00
Lathrop church & S. S. C. E., Cal.,		5 10
Turlock church & S. S. C. E., "		7 50
Annie E. Miller, Boone, Pa.,		1 00
A. J. Miller,	"	3 00
Susie J. Miller,	"	1 00
Mrs. A. Griffith, Masontown, Pa.,		2 00
L. Furry & wife, New Enterprise, Pa.,		5 00
Jacob Furry,	"	10 00
Elizabeth Furry,	"	5 00
D. B. Snolerger,	"	5 00
O. S. Over,	"	3 00
E. S. Rice,	"	1 00
Christ. Over,	"	1 00
Adam Beade,	"	3 00
Andrew B. Hoffman,	"	5 00
A. S. Ebersole,	"	1 00
S. L. Buck and family, New Enterprise, Pa.,		5 00
D. Burkheimer, Salemville, Pa.,		2 00
D. Z. Replogle, Waterside, Pa.,		2 00
S. H. Sell, Bedford, Pa.,		3 00
S. D. H. Wise, Parkersburg, W. Va.,		1 00
Harris Lewes family, Somerset, O.,		1 00
Florence Ebersole, Mt. Perry, O.,		75
The Downburn family, Avalon, O.,		30
J. D. Findley, Glenford, O.,		1 00
Deffenbaugh family, Glenford, O.,		3 00
Amy Penn, Camden, Ind.,		1 00
Birdie Penn,	"	1 00
W. Gantz & family, Los Angeles, Cal.,		5 00
Mrs. Lydia Fry, Mountain Fall, Va.,		2 00
Anna M. Wright,	"	1 00
Orpha Wright,	"	1 00
J. C. Gray & wife, Dearmin, Pa.,		2 00
Keller Fund, Va.,		73 50
Mrs. E. Watson, Kensington, Md.,		10 00
B. F. Lampton, Brownville, O.,		50

Unknown, Needmore, O.,	5 00
A sister, Clifton Mills, Va.,	1 00
E. & M. O. Mininger, Roanoke, Va.,	25 00
C. A. Oberholtzer, Centerbery, O.,	1 00
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Cash receipts previously reported,	1604.49
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Total cash receipts to date,	\$2351.09
Unpaid pledges to date,	414.00
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	\$2765.09

Brethren the victory is won. Let Sunday April 1st be a day of thanksgiving to God for answered prayer all over the church. If all the pledges are paid there will probably be an excess of five hundred dollars. It will cost about fifty dollars to effect the transfer and several hundred dollars for necessary repairs and improvements, such as painting of the church and building of a baptistry. It seems the Lord just knew what we needed and is supplying the need. Thanks are due to Brother Lyon for his telling, well-timed contributions to the EVANGELIST, to Brother Ridenour for his suggestion of the dollar plan as it brought many dollars into the fund, and to Brother Brown for stirring up our church pride by his rather "blue" article and to our Editor for his strong Editorial appeals thru out this canvass.

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#### LESSON 2—APRIL 8, 1900

##### Precepts and Promises—Matt. 7: 1-14

*Golden Text*—Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7: 12.

*Lesson Thought*.—"The Golden Rule is the golden key to the Golden Age."

*Time*.—Same as last lesson, continuation of Sermon on the Mount.

*Place*.—On a mountain near the Sea of Galilee, probably the Horns of Hattin.

##### Home Readings

Matt. 7: 1-29; James 4: 5-12; Jer. 29: 8-14; Luke 6: 27-45; Luke 13: 22-30.

##### Lesson Text

- 1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.
- 2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured unto you.
- 3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?
- 4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me cast out the mote out of thine eye; and lo, the beam is in thine own eye?
- 5 Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye; and then thou shalt see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.
- 6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before the swine, lest haply they trample them under their feet, and turn and rend you.
- 7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:
- 8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- 9 Or what man is there of you, who, if his son shall ask him for a loaf, will give him a stone:
- 10 Or if he shall ask for a fish, will give him a serpent?
- 11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your

Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

12 All things therefore whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even do ye also unto them: for this is the law and the prophets.

13 Enter ye in by the narrow gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many be they that enter in thereby.

14 For narrow is the gate, and straitened the way, that leadeth unto life, and few be they that find it.

##### Lesson Links

The circumstances of this lesson and the last lesson are the same. Jesus is sitting on the side of the mountain preaching what we call *The Sermon on the Mount*. Our last lesson might be called the text of this sermon. Our lesson to-day is a part of that marvelous discourse. We have become so used to its familiar words that we do not notice how striking they are. But we must remember that Christ's hearers had never heard anything like them. Hence when he finished, "They were astonished at his teaching; for he taught them with authority and not as the scribes."

##### The Lesson

The world, however familiar it may be with the words of this wonderful sermon has not yet fully learned its spirit and meaning. Translated into every-day language and applied to some of the conditions of our day it would be something as follows:

##### Slander

"Do not harshly judge your fellow-men; for the man who does not judge another will very likely be free from the harsh judgment of others. He that slanders shall be slandered. Put the most charitable construction on the words and acts of others. Give them the benefit of a doubt. Like begets like. It is the law of experience that the man whose tongue judges others and tears down their characters, will find no mercy at their hands."

##### Hypocrisy

"And why are you looking at the faults of others. Your business is with yourself first. When you are laughing at, or complaining at the faults of others, be sure you have removed your own faults which are larger. In most cases he who offers to pull the motes of dust out of another's spiritual eye, has a stick of wood in his own. You hypocrite, first be clean of your own sins, then you can with a good conscience and some influence, cleanse the way of your neighbors and brothers."

##### Pearls Before Swine

"As it is not of any use to cast pearls to swine, so it is useless to present truths suited to noble minds to those of low, swinish propensities. One's teaching must be suited to the conditions of the taught. Be sure men are not dogs and swine, then give them the pearls of truth, of reproof, and of the noble truths of the gospel. If you are sure they are dogs and swine, spend no time with them. There are some who are so far possessed of evil, that the noblest truths of Christ are to them like pearls to swine. From such turn away. For your pains on